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This divisional application was filed approximately one year ago. Almost ten months ago, on December 17, 1998, Applicant's counsel received the Official Filing Receipt. No further communications have been received from the Patent Office. Please advise the undersigned of the status of this case.

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